4095 Kms. Indo-Bangla border as suggested by the National Mission on bamboo application;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) to (b) No, Sir.

No proposal regarding replacement of barbed wire fencing with thorny bamboo fencing of Indo-Bangladesh border has been received in the Ministry of Home Affairs.

Incidents of looking and killing in trains

†2364. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of incidents of looting and killing that have taken place in the trains of North and Central Railways during the year 2004-05 and during 2005-06 so far; and

(b) the details of measures taken and proposed to be taken by the Government in the near future to effectively prevent and stop these incidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) As per information available with the Ministry of Railways, the number of incidents of looting and killing over North Central Railway is as under:

Year	Looting	Killing
2004-05	9	2
2005-06 (up to November)	8	1

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) 'Police' and 'Public order' being the State Subject under the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution, prevention and detection of crime on Railways including running trains is the responsibility of the State Governments. However, the Ministry of Home Affairs has from time to time been issuing advisories to the State Governments to make concerted efforts to check crimes on trains Government has taken the following steps for providing better security to the travelling passengers in trains and passenger areas:

1. Amendments have been carried out in Railways Act, 1989 and RPF Act, 1957 to enable the Railways to effectively control crimes on railways.

2. Railway Protection Force (RPF) is being deployed to escort many train and also employed in the passenger area.

3. RPF has also been empowered to deal with minor offences affecting the train operations such as alarm chain pulling, roof travel, touting, ticket less travel, unauthorized entry etc.

4. Coordination meetings between railways and state police are held periodically to review remedial measures for prevention of crimes on railways, the position in the sections, trains and stations affected by crime.

Intelligence failure In bomb blasts in Delhi

2365. SHRI E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN:
SHRI AJAY SINGH CHAUTALA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there was a intelligence failure in the recent bomb blasts in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any steps have been taken to improve the intelligence network in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) to (c) There was no specific intelligence input about the blast at Delhi on 29.10.2005. Delhi Police is placing great emphasis on collection of intelligence. Steps taken in this regard include checking and briefing of the staff of ciber cafe especially in market areas; briefing of managers and staff of hotels/guest houses to keep full details of guest and their luggage and number of vehicles by which they arrive; verification of tenants; regular checking of STD/ISD/PCO booth owners/ operators; checking of cellular phone and sim card vendors; regular